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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Yamauchi et al.  
Serial No.: 09/975,614  
Filed: October 10, 2001  
Title: *PCB DECOMPOSITION REACTOR*

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 24, 2004**

Sir:

The present Amendment is provided in response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2004 (the "Office Action"). It is respectfully requested that this application be reconsidered in view of the following amendments and remarks. Applicants provide the present Amendment pursuant to the rules stated in revised 37 C.F.R. 1.121 that became effective on July 30, 2003.

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**In the Drawings:**

In Figure 2, Applicants have deleted the y-axis label “PRESSURE(ata)” and have inserted therefor -- PRESSURE (kgf/cm<sup>2</sup>) --. A replacement sheet for FIG. 2 is attached hereto.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet for FIG. 2.